

CALIFORNIA LEAGUE OF FOOD PROCESSORS MEMBER PRIORITY ISSUES

- 1. Food Processors need affordable and available supplies of electricity and natural gas.
- 2. Oppose mandatory critical peak pricing of electricity for Food Processors.
- Government officials (Governor, Administration officials, Legislators, Regulators) need to factor into their decision making "economic impact analysis" on all individual measures.
- 4. Reduce Food Processors' costs of compliance.
- Regulators need to be less adversarial and more cooperative and collaborative in solving the State's environmental issues.
- Food Processors have high labor costs. The State needs to maintain and improve upon recent workers' compensation system reforms.
- Support the development of new power generation and distribution systems in California.
- Compliance with Air Emissions and Wastewater Discharge permits are costly and time consuming, and the regulatory processes need to be streamlined.
- Food Processors need affordable and reliable transportation, truck, rail and shipping services.
- The State of California should establish a process for a "cumulative economic impact" on businesses which takes into account the sum of impacts from individual measures or requirements.
- 11. Support continued funding for industry energy conservation and efficiency programs.
- The State of California should share in the research cost to find ways to protect groundwater from salinity.
- 13. Change how natural gas public purpose surcharges are assessed.
- Food Processors are challenged to find competent and educated workers. The State needs to improve vocational and related education programs.
- 15. Support development of LNG terminals in California.

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